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1. CONFIDENTIAL -- ENTIRE TEXT.

SUMMARY

2. THE AMBASSADOR DELIVERED DEPUTY SECRETARY TALBOTT'S MESSAGE ON UNAMIR (REF A) TO FOREIGN MINISTER KOOIJMANS JULY 29. KOOIJMANS AND DEFENSE MINISTER TER BEEK HAD ANNOUNCED LATE JULY 28 THAT THE NETHERLANDS WOULD SERVE AS THE "CORNERSTONE" FOR THE ZAMBIAN UNAMIR CONTINGENT, WITH THE EQUIPMENT AND MATERIEL PREVIOUSLY PROMISED TO UNAMIR (REFS C AND D) TO BE GIVEN TO THE ZAMBIA. THE DUTCH INDICATED THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO MEET ALL ZAMBIAN EQUIPMENT NEEDS, BUT SUGGESTED THAT SOUTH AFRICAN APC'S COULD BE USED TO COMPLEMENT DUTCH CONTRIBUTIONS. TER BEEK INDICATED THAT THE DUTCH WOULD BE WILLING TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR ZAMBIAN TROOPS EITHER IN THE NETHERLANDS OR ZAMBIA.

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3. MINISTER KOOIJMANS ALSO INDICATED THAT THE NETHERLANDS, AS WEU PRESIDENT, WAS TAKING THE LEAD IN COORDINATING A WEU RESPONSE TO THE U.N.'S AND PRESIDENT CLINTON'S REQUESTS REGARDING BOTH UNAMIR AND THE PROVISION OF REMAINING SERVICE PACKAGES (REF F). DUTCH OFFICIALS TOLD US THAT THE WEU WAS FOCUSSED ON SERVICE PACKAGE THREE, ROAD SERVICING AND ROAD SECURITY. IN INITIAL SOUNDINGS, FRANCE, THE U.K. AND GERMANY, HAD INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO PARTICIPATE IN A WEU HUMANITARIAN EFFORT. A LEASED RUSSIAN ANTONOV CARGO PLANE DEPARTED THE NETHERLANDS JUNE 29 WITH HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE, 4 FOUR-TON TRUCKS, 8 WATER WAGONS, MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AND A 7-PERSON RECCE TEAM. END SUMMARY.

NETHERLANDS AS ZAMBIAN CORNERSTONE

4. AS REQUESTED IN THE DEPUTY SECRETARY'S MESSAGE TO MINISTER KOOIJMANS, THE NETHERLANDS HAS AGREED TO SERVE AS THE CORNERSTONE OF U.N. EFFORTS TO EQUIP ZAMBIA'S UNAMIR CONTINGENT. MOD AND MFA OFFICIALS INDICATED THAT THE DUTCH WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE ALL OF THE ZAMBIAN BATTALION'S

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NEEDS, PARTICULARLY APC'S, BUT SUGGESTED LINKING
DUTCH EQUIPMENT WITH SOUTH AFRICAN APC'S.

5. AS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY (REFS C AND D), THE
GOVERNMENT HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE UNAMIR WITH 50
FOUR-TON TRUCKS, 25 LANDROVERS, 15 AGGREGATE
GENERATORS, 10 MOBILE KITCHENS, AND POTENTIALLY

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OTHER SMALLER ITEMS AS NEEDED. THE DUTCH ARE
REVIEWING WITH THE U.N. THE TIMING AND TRANSPORT
ARRANGEMENTS FOR DELIVERY OF THESE ITEMS. THE ARMY
CAN HAVE THE EQUIPMENT READY BY MID-AUGUST. THE
DUTCH ARE ALSO REVIEWING WITH THE U.N. HOW BEST TO
TRAIN THE ZAMBIAN MILITARY. THEY ARE PREPARED TO
TRAIN 125 DRIVERS AND 10 MECHANICS, AND WILL DO SO
EITHER IN THE NETHERLANDS, ZAMBIA, OR ELSEWHERE.
THE COSTS FOR THE PROPOSED DUTCH CONTRIBUTIONS TO
UNAMIR ARE ESTIMATED AT BETWEEN 3-4 MILLION GULDERS.

SEEKING WEU SUPPORT

6. THE NETHERLANDS IS TAKING THE LEAD AS WEU
PRESIDENT TO COORDINATE A WEU RESPONSE TO THE
RWANDAN CRISIS, INCLUDING BOTH SUPPORT FOR UNAMIR
AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE EFFORTS. THE WEU
PLANNING CELL HAS BEEN TASKED TO ASSEMBLE A LIST OF
POTENTIAL MEMBER STATE CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNAMIR
WITH AN EYE TO HAVING THE WEU ADOPT A CONTINGENT.
THE OBJECTIVE IS TO COMBINE THE EFFORTS OF SMALL

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STATES WITH EXCESS MATERIEL OF LARGER MEMBERS INTO
A COHESIVE CONTRIBUTION. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT
SOME OF THE ALREADY COMMITTED CONTRIBUTIONS COULD
BE PLACED UNDER A WEU UMBRELLA.

7. ON THE HUMANITARIAN SIDE, THE WEU IS LOOKING TO

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PROVIDE ONE OF THE SERVICE PACKAGES AS REQUESTED BY PRESIDENT CLINTON. CURRENT DISCUSSION IS FOCUSSED ON SERVICE PACKAGE THREE -- ROAD SERVICING AND ROAD SECURITY. TO DATE, THE U.K., FRANCE, AND GERMANY HAVE INDICATED A WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT SUCH AN EFFORT.

DUTCH HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS

8. BEYOND ITS SUPPORT OF UNAMIR AND MULTILATERAL EFFORTS THROUGH THE WEU, THE NETHERLANDS IS ALSO MOVING QUICKLY TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO RWANDAN REFUGEES. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (REFS B-D), THE NETHERLANDS HAS DOUBLED ITS ASSISTANCE IN THE PAST WEEK FROM 20 MILLION GUILDERS TO ALMOST 40 MILLION (1 DOLLAR EQUALS 1.77 GUILDERS.). A C-130 WITH FOOD AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES ARRIVED IN GOMA EARLIER THIS WEEK, AND A LEASED RUSSIAN ANTONOV DEPARTED JULY 29 WITH 4 FOUR-TON TRUCKS, 8 WATER

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WAGONS, DEHYDRATION KITS AND OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLIES, FOOD, 2 DOCTORS, A NUMBER OF NURSES, AND A 7-PERSON RECCE TEAM, WHICH WILL MEET UP WITH THE EUCOM TEAM IN GOMA. THIS FIRST FLIGHT AIMED ABOVE ALL AT ASSISTING DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS. SUBSEQUENT RELIEF FLIGHTS ARE EXPECTED NEXT WEEK, WHICH WILL INCLUDE A 25,000 LITER WATER PURIFICATION UNIT MANNED BY A TEAM OF 17, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF WATER TRANSPORT TRUCKS.

PARLIAMENT URGES CONTINUED EFFORTS

9. AT A SPECIAL PARLIAMENTARY HEARING JULY 28, MP'S URGED THE GOVERNMENT TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ADDRESS THE SITUATION IN RWANDA. SOME URGED DUTCH MILITARY PARTICIPATION IN RWANDA ITSELF, HOWEVER THE GOVERNMENT INDICATED THAT SUFFICIENT TROOPS WERE AVAILABLE, AND THE TOP PRIORITY WAS TO EQUIP THEM PROPERLY. MINISTERS KOOIJMANS AND TER BEEK POINTED TO PRESIDENT CLINTON'S LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER LUBBERS AS A CLEAR STATEMENT OF U.N. NEEDS AND PRIORITIES. CONSIDERABLE CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED ABOUT THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN BURUNDI, AND PARLIAMENT URGED EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE OUTBREAK OF

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VIOLENCE THERE. PARLIAMENT ALSO EXPRESSED SUPPORT
FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S ANNOUNCED INTENTION TO SUPPORT
PROSECUTION OF WAR CRIMINALS, HIGHLIGHTED BY A
75,000 GUILDER CONTRIBUTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD
OFFICERS TO THE HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER IN GENEVA.
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